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TO DIRECTOR PRIORITY 288-21 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

LEGAL ATTACHE BOGOTA (80-66) PRIORITY 006-21

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ATTENTION: LIAISON UNIT, INTD.

POSSIBLE ARGENTINE ARMY INTELLIGENCE ATTENDANCE AT FBI COUNTER-  
INTELLIGENCE COURSES.

RE LEGAT, BOGOTA, TELETYPE DATED DECEMBER 14, 1981.

LEGAT, PANAMA, DESIGNATED LEGAT, MONTEVIDEO, CONCURS

THAT THE ATTENDANCE OF AN ARGENTINE ARMY INTELLIGENCE OFFICER  
AT AN FBI COUNTERINTELLIGENCE COURSE WOULD BE OF GREAT BENEFIT  
FOR FUTURE LIAISON PURPOSES BETWEEN THE BUREAU AND THE ARGENTINE  
ARMY INTELLIGENCE SERVICE (AAIS). [It should be noted, however,

THAT LEGAT, WHILE ON TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENT IN BUENOS AIRES IN  
JULY, 1979, AND DOING ROADTRIP THERE IN OCTOBER, 1981,

LEARNED THAT THE UNITED STATES EMBASSY IN BUENOS AIRES HAD  
INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE NOT TO CONTACT AAIS  
DUE TO THEIR (AAIS) PROPENSITY FOR VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS  
(I. E. TORTURES, MURDERS AND DISAPPEARANCES OF INDIVIDUALS

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LEGAT, PANAMA, IS OF THE OPINION THAT SHOULD AN AAIS PERSON ATTEND THE FBI ACADEMY, THIS INFORMATION WOULD CERTAINLY GET BACK TO THE UNITED STATES EMBASSY IN BUENOS AIRES AND COULD CONCEIVABLY BECOME AN ISSUE.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT PRIOR TO HAVING AN INDIVIDUAL FROM AAIS NOMINATED TO ATTEND AN FBI COURSE, A DISCREET INQUIRY BE MADE AT THE UNITED STATES EMBASSY IN BUENOS AIRES, AND PERHAPS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, TO DETERMINE THEIR POSITION IN THIS MATTER.

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TO DIRECTOR NR 223-18

FROM LEGAT BUENOS AIRES (109-2)

*CRITICAL* FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS-ARGENTINA; IS-ARGENTINA.

DURING THE MORNING OF DECEMBER 18, 1975, THE ARGENTINE AIR FORCE CLOSED JORGE NEWBERRY DOWNTOWN METROPOLITAN AIRPORT IN BUENOS AIRES FOR UNEXPLAINED REASONS. SUBSEQUENTLY IT WAS REVEALED THAT JUNIOR MIDDLE GRADE OFFICERS OF THE ARGENTINE AIR FORCE WERE IN REBELLION AND HAD PLACED THE AIR FORCE COMMANDER IN CHIEF UNDER HOUSE ARREST. THERE ARE TWO CONFLICTING VERSIONS REGARDING THE PURPOSE OF THE AIR FORCE REVOLT. ONE IS THAT THE AIR FORCE JUNIOR OFFICERS HAVE INITIATED THE BEGINNING OF A COUP D'ETAT AND WILL BE JOINED BY THE ARGENTINE NAVY AND ARMY IN ORDER TO OVERTHROW THE INCUMBENT PERONIST GOVERNMENT. THE SECOND VERSION AND PROBABLY THE MOST PLAUSIBLE IS THAT JUNIOR AIR FORCE OFFICERS WERE EXTREMELY DISPLEASED OVER WHAT THEY CONSIDERED TO BE POLITICAL MANEUVERING IN THE RECENTLY PUBLISHED AIR FORCE PROMOTION AND REASSIGNMENT SCHEDULE. IT IS NOTED THAT THE AIR FORCE COMANDER IN CHIEF HAS CONSISTENTLY REMOVED FROM CENTER STATE ANY OFFICER

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IN THE AIR FORCE BELIEVED BY THE AIR FORCE COMMANDER IN CHIEF AS A COMPETITOR OR CHALLENGER. AS OF 12:30 PM, BUENOS AIRES TIME, DECEMBER 18, 1975, A CLOSED MEETING IS BEING HELD OF ARGENTINE NAVY ADMIRALS, THE PURPOSE OF WHICH IS UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME.

FOREGOING HAS BEEN PROVIDED BY THE BUENOS AIRES EMBASSY TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT IN WASHINGTON, D.C. BY FLASH TELEGRAM. IT IS PROVIDED ONLY FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU. I AM CLOSELY FOLLOWING THIS MATTER AND WILL KEEP THE BUREAU CURRENTLY ADVISED.

OFFICE PERSONNEL ARE TAKING APPROPRIATE SECURITY PRECAUTIONS.

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